

## **Recommended Policy Objectives for Joint Work on Exide**

### **DTSC - US EPA - LA County DPH**

#### **ELEMENT: The Community**

**Goal: Ensure all personnel engaged in the operation are guided by the principle of partnership with and protection of the affected communities.**

#### **Policy Objectives**

1. Engage the community as partners to identify key issues and in developing solutions.
2. Keep the public health interest of community members at the center of regulatory decisions and involved in the decision-making process.
3. Demonstrate a collective long-term commitment of our agencies to the assessment, restoration, and recovery of the communities impacted by Exide.
4. Foster an environment of trust and respect for the community.

#### **Supporting Management Objectives:**

1. Maintain frequent and open communication with community leaders.
2. Engage health experts for key decisions.
3. Commit resources from each agency partner as needed to facilitate actions in the impacted communities.
4. Establish transparency as a guiding principle throughout the operation.
5. Engage the community early and often.

## **ELEMENT: Our Working Relationship**

**Goal: Ensure all personnel engaged in the operation are guided by the principle of partnership and common mission.**

### **Policy Objectives**

1. Commit to timely, open and transparent communications among agency partners.
2. Foster an environment of trust and respect for the expertise that each agency brings to the table.

### **Supporting Management Objectives:**

1. Commit to conduct regular meetings at an Agency Administrator level to identify and resolve issues as they arise.
2. Field operations will operate in a collaborative fashion.
3. Agencies will provide input for key decisions and respect the collective agreement.
4. Provide to Agency Administrators reports of priorities, accomplishments, challenges, and discoveries.

## **ELEMENT: The Operational Guidelines**

**Goal: Ensure all personnel engaged in the mission are guided by the principles of collaboration and partnership in the operational environment.**

### **Policy Objectives**

1. Apply the best available scientific, technical and experiential expertise from of each the agency partners to address remediation efforts in the impacted communities.
2. Acknowledge the need for urgent action in the development of projects, timelines and acquisition of resources.

### **Supporting Management Objectives:**

1. Establish an on-site incident command structure with DTSC as the lead agency to integrate technical and scientific functions.
2. Establish a data collection and analysis unit within the ICS structure to ensure science helps guide decision-making.
3. Collaborate on both the residential cleanup and facility cleanup.
4. Develop priorities, report accomplishments and challenges.
5. Report, track, and monitor discoveries.

## **STRATEGIES:**

### **ELEMENT: The Community**

- Public Information
- Community Outreach
- Community Involvement

### **ELEMENT: Our Working Relationship**

- Reporting to Agency Administrators
- Data Analysis and Science

### **ELEMENT: The Operational Guidelines**

- Incident Command
- Monitoring and Data Collection
- Establish field level goals and objectives
- Responder Safety
- Field Level Reporting